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In re Application of

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FOR: A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR

PERFORMING MACRO-DIVERSITY SELECTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF

ROUTES FOR ROUTING DATA PACKETS IN AD-HOC NETWORKS

Group Art Unit: 2661

Examiner: Not Assigned

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97-1.98, Applicants hereby transmit copies of the documents listed in the attached Form PTO-1449, which may be deemed material to the examination of the above-identified application.

All documents, with the exception of French Patent FR2683326, are in English and require no statement of relevance. Regarding French Patent FR2683326, an English abstract is provided as a brief statement of relevance to the above-identified Application as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98. Also, since the present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to issuance of a first Office Action on the merits, no certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b) is required.

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The Examiner is requested to consider the attached documents in connection with the

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Standard Documents (i.e. the TIA/EIA Standards) referenced in the background of the above-

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